

South Carolina Department of Corrections
Profile of Inmates in Institutional Count
(Including Inmates on Authorized Absence) as of June 30, 2007

Characteristics	Male Population		Female Population		Total Population	
TOTAL Inmates Population	21,795		1,639		23,434	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Current Age						
Average Current Age	34.7		36.0		34.8	
21 & Under	1,921	9%	73	4%	1,994	9%
22-25	3,258	15%	165	10%	3,423	15%
26-35	7,339	34%	574	35%	7,913	34%
36-55	8,373	39%	787	48%	9,160	39%
56 and Over	904	4%	40	2%	944	4%
Average Age at Admission	30.6		33.4		30.8	
Race						
Black	14,604	67%	768	47%	15,372	66%
White	6,791	31%	848	52%	7,639	33%
Other	400	2%	23	1%	423	2%
Marital Status (Self-reported)						
Single	13,490	62%	724	44%	14,214	61%
Married	6,314	29%	649	40%	6,963	30%
Divorced	1,716	8%	198	12%	1,914	8%
Widowed	255	1%	65	4%	320	1%
Sentencing Data/Criminal History						
Admission Type:						
New	16,674	77%	1,341	82%	18,015	77%
Revocator	4,658	21%	293	18%	4,951	21%
Other	463	2%	5	0.3%	468	2%
With Current Violent Offense	11,663	54%	511	31%	12,174	52%
With Prior Criminal History	14,804	68%	891	54%	15,695	67%
With Prior Commitments	9,680	44%	488	30%	10,168	43%
Average Sentence Length in Years ^{1 6}	12.2		7.3		11.9	
Average Time to Serve before Maxout ²	5.3		3.2		5.2	
Sentences One Year or Less (excl. YOA)	724	3%	161	10%	885	4%
Sentences More than 20 years (excl. lifers)	2,810	13%	102	6%	2,912	12%
With Life Sentence	1,923	9%	81	5%	2,004	9%
With YOA Sentence ⁶	1,447	7%	50	3%	1,497	6%
On Death Row	58	0.3%	0	0%	58	0.2%
Non-Parolable (includes TIS inmates) ⁶	9,625	44%	481	29%	10,106	43%
TIS Sentences ⁶	9,260	42%	477	29%	9,737	42%
Special Needs						
With Children ³	13,471	62%	1,285	78%	14,756	63%
With Convicted Disciplinarys in Last 12 Months	6,983	32%	278	17%	7,261	31%
With Victim Witness Indicator	10,581	49%	601	37%	11,182	48%
Sex Registry	3,426	16%	47	3%	3,473	15%
Required DNA Testing	21,157	97%	1,498	91%	22,655	97%
Chemical Dependent per SASSI/TCUDDS ⁴	10,254	47%	916	56%	11,170	48%
Education/Work						
Beta IQ Score Less Than/Equal to 70	2,365	11%	99	6%	2,464	11%
Average (Latest) Reading Score	7.2		7.8		8.6	
Reading Score is <12th Grade	16,251	75%	1,037	63%	17,288	74%
Reading Score is <9th Grade	11,546	53%	667	41%	12,213	52%
Average Education Level at Intake	10.4		10.8		10.5	
Without HS/GED	13,021	60%	815	50%	13,836	59%

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Leading Most Serious Offense⁵						
	Dang. Drugs	19%	Dang. Drugs	19%	Dang. Drugs	19%
	Burglary	16%	Homicide	13%	Burglary	16%
	Homicide	13%	Fraud	10%	Homicide	13%
	Robbery	13%	Burglary	10%	Robbery	12%
	Assault	9%	Forgery	8%	Assault	9%
Top Five Committing Counties						
	Richland	10%	Greenville	12%	Richland	10%
	Greenville	9%	Richland	9%	Greenville	10%
	Charleston	8%	Spartanburg	8%	Charleston	8%
	Spartanburg	7%	York	7%	Spartanburg	7%
	York	6%	Lexington	6%	York	6%
Medical/Mental Health Classification						
Medical Classification:						
No Medical Problem/No Work Restriction	8,270	38%	230	14%	8,500	36%
Has Medical Problem/No Work Restriction	8,192	38%	782	48%	8,974	38%
Has Medical Problem/Work Restriction	5,051	23%	580	35%	5,631	24%
Severe Medical Problem/Work Restriction	142	1%	1	0%	143	1%
Not Available/Unknown	76	0.3%	11	0.7%	87	0.4%
Mental Health Classification:						
No Mental Health Problem	19,744	91%	1,096	67%	20,840	89%
Mentally Retarded	16	0.1%	5	0.3%	21	0.1%
Mentally Ill	1,886	9%	487	30%	2,373	10%
Not Available/Unknown	149	0.7%	51	3.1%	200	0.9%

¹ Excludes Lifers, Death-Row & YOA's

² Include inmates released to Community Supervision under Truth-in-Sentencing, excludes Lifers, Death-Row and YOA's

³ Based on inmate self-reported information at intake

⁴ Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory (SASSI) stopped being used in January 1997. Currently Texas Christian University Drug Dependency Screen (TCUDDS) is used.

⁵ To facilitate statistical reporting, SCDC determines a single "most serious offense" (MSO) for each inmate. Before August 2005, the offense with the longest sentence determined MSO. Effective August 2005, inmates' MSO is the offense with the highest severity level (i.e. offenses are classified between severity level 1 and 5, with 5 as the most severe). In cases where an inmate has multiple offenses at the same severity level, SCDC considers the category of each offense, where homicide offenses take precedence, followed by sex offenses and violent offenses. If multiple offenses exist within the same category, the offense with the longest sentence then determines MSO. While the new methodology better represents offense severity, the definitional revision invalidates year to year comparisons and trend analysis of MSO distributions.

⁶ Figure was adjusted on November 20, 2007 subsequent to internal audits of computer programming and associated data interpretation.

Note: Percentages may not add up due to rounding.